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TITLE: Production of hydrocarbons by steam reforming and fischer-tropsch reaction

PUBLICATION-DATE: January 11, 2007

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

| NAME                       | CITY             | STATE | COUNTRY |
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APPL-NO: 10/555369 [PALM]

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## ABSTRACT:

A process for the production of hydrocarbons is described including; a) subjecting a mixture of a hydrocarbon feedstock and steam to catalytic steam reforming to form a partially reformed gas, b) subjecting the partially reformed gas to partial combustion with an oxygen-containing gas and bringing the resultant partially combusted gas towards equilibrium over a steam reforming catalyst to form a reformed gas mixture, c) cooling the reformed gas mixture to below the dew point of the steam therein to condense water and separating condensed water to give a de-watered synthesis gas, d) synthesising hydrocarbons from side de-watered synthesis gas by the Fischer-Tropsch reaction and e) separating the hydrocarbons from co-produced water, characterised in that at least part of said co-produced water is fed to a saturator wherein it is contacted with hydrocarbon feedstock to provide at least part of the mixture of hydrocarbon feedstock and steam subjected to steam reforming.

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TITLE: Production of hydrocarbons

PUBLICATION-DATE: June 22, 2006

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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| Fowles; Martin             | North Yorkshire |       | GB      |

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US-CL-PUBLISHED: 518/702  
US-CL-CURRENT: 518/702

## ABSTRACT:

A process for production of hydrocarbons including a) reforming a divided hydrocarbon feedstock stream, mixing the first stream with steam, passing the mixture over a catalyst disposed in heated heat exchange reformer tubes to form a primary reformed gas, forming a secondary reformer feed stream including the primary reformed gas and the second hydrocarbon stream, partially combusting the secondary reformer feed stream and bringing the partially combusted gas towards equilibrium over a secondary catalyst, and producing a partially cooled reformed gas, b) further cooling the partially cooled reformed gas below the dew point of steam therein to condense water and separating condensed water to give a de-watered synthesis gas, c) synthesising hydrocarbons from the de-watered synthesis gas by the Fischer-Tropsch reaction and separating some of the synthesised hydrocarbons into a tail gas, and d) incorporating part of the tail gas into the secondary reformer feed stream before partial combustion thereof.

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TITLE: Steam reforming

PUBLICATION-DATE: January 17, 2002

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 09/781312 [PALM]  
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RELATED-US-APPL-DATA:  
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US-CL-PUBLISHED: 518/704

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REPRESENTATIVE-FIGURES: NONE

ABSTRACT:

Production of synthesis gas for use for synthesising carbon-containing compounds, typically having a hydrogen to carbon monoxide molar ratio of about 2 and a low carbon dioxide content, by primary reforming a gaseous mixture containing hydrocarbons, 0.6 to 2 moles of steam per gram atom of hydrocarbon and 0.2 to 0.6 moles of recycled carbon dioxide per gram atom of hydrocarbon, in a heat exchange reformer and then secondary reforming the resultant primary reformed gas, heating the heat exchange reformer with the resultant secondary reformed gas; cooling and condensing steam from the secondary reformed gas to give a de-watered gas stream having a carbon dioxide content below 20% by volume. The recycled carbon dioxide is recovered from the de-watered gas stream, before or after use thereof for the synthesis reaction.

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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 7097925 B2

TITLE: High temperature fuel cell power plant

DATE-ISSUED: August 29, 2006

PRIOR-PUBLICATION:

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| DOC-ID            | DATE          |
| US 20030143448 A1 | July 31, 2003 |

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

|                            |         |       |          |         |           |
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## ABSTRACT:

Disclosed is a high temperature fuel cell power generation system that includes a high temperature fuel cell having an anode inlet and exhaust, and a cathode inlet and exhaust. The system also includes a gas separation means operable to recover hydrogen gas from the anode exhaust and to provide at least a portion of such hydrogen gas for recycle to the anode inlet. The system further includes energy recovery means operable to recover energy from the fuel cell exhaust gases and to provide at least a portion of such recovered energy to drive mechanical loads associated with the operation of the gas separation means, wherein a portion of the recovered hydrogen gas is provided for export from the generation system as hydrogen fuel.

30 Claims, 17 Drawing figures

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## ABSTRACT:

Production of synthesis gas for use for synthesising carbon-containing compounds, typically having a hydrogen to carbon monoxide molar ratio of about 2 and a low carbon dioxide content, by primary reforming a gaseous mixture containing hydrocarbons, 0.6 to 2 moles of steam per gram atom of hydrocarbon and 0.2 to 0.6 moles of recycled carbon dioxide per gram atom of hydrocarbon, in a heat exchange reformer and then secondary reforming the resultant primary reformed gas, heating the heat exchange reformer with the resultant secondary reformed gas; cooling and condensing steam from the secondary reformed gas to give a de-watered gas stream having a carbon dioxide content below 20% by volume. The recycled carbon dioxide is recovered from the de-watered gas stream, before or after use thereof for the synthesis reaction.

10 Claims, 3 Drawing figures

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